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Ed Schafer, Secretary of Agriculture U. S. Department of Agriculture 1400 Independence Ave., S.W. Washington, DC 20250

Dear Secretary Schafer:

Thank you for your recent response to my letter of June 17, 2008. I appreciate your modifications to the Light Brown Apple Moth (LBAM) program in Northern California.

I am writing to draw your attention to a formal petition to the California Department of Food and Agriculture and the United States Department of Agriculture, requesting reclassification of LBAM as a non-actionable pest. This petition has been submitted by Roy Upton and his colleagues.

I continue to believe that the best approach to integrated pest management is based on sound science, and for that reason, I urge you to carefully consider this petition. I trust you will incorporate the latest scientific information in future planning regarding LBAM.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter in my District.

Sincerely,

JARED HUFFMAN

Assemblymember, 6th District

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